Foreign aids to terrorist activities

†126. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the fund for carrying out terrorist activties in the country and particularly in Jamrtiu and Kashmir and North-Eastern States comes from abroad;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the names of countries providing such assistance; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to stop such assistance to terrorists/terrorist outfits?

THE MINISTER OF STATE INTHE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) and (b) According to available information funds for carrying out terrorist activities comes through clandestine channels mainly from the ISI of Pakistan. Such funds are reportedly also received by the terrorist outfits from religious institutions and expatriate Kashmiri/Pakistani organisations operating in the Middle-East region including in Saudi Arabia, Kuwait etc. and also from similar organisations in the U.K., U.S.A etc.

(c) Intelligence agencies of both the Central and State Governments concerned agencies in the Ministry of Finance and police in the States have been sensitised to upgrade their operational capabilities to tackle the problem of such funding to terrorist outfits. Besides, diplomatic initiatives are taken to address this problem.

Need for FBI on the lines of America

†127. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have felt a need for an organisation on the lines of Federal Bureau of Investigation of America and if so, what kind of need is being felt for the same;

(b) whether it is a fact that most of the State Governments have registered their opposition for the same; and

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